

Satellite Remote Sensing of Near Real Time Coral Thermal Stress Metadata (200704)

Identification_Information:

Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: NOAA Coral Reef Watch NOAA National Environmental Satellite Data and Information Service

Publication_Date: 20060401

Title: Current satellite coral bleaching thermal stress monitoring global 50km HDF data file produced operationally in near-real-time by NOAA Coral Reef Watch

Edition: One

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: remote sensing image and gridded data

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http://coralreefwatch.noaa.gov/satellite/hdf/data/current/current_all.hdf

Description:

Abstract: This file contains a suite of NOAA Coral Reef Watch (CRW)'s most recent operational

global satellite coral bleaching thermal stress monitoring raw data at 50km resolution produced twice-weekly in near-real-time. This HDF raw data file contains sea surface temperature (SST), SST anomaly, HotSpot, and Degree Heating Weeks (DHW) data. Satellite data from the Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer (AVHRR) on NOAA's Polar Orbiting Environmental Satellite (POES) are used to generate AVHRR-SST. The most recent AVHRR data obtained from the POES that is presently in operational mode are processed to generate the near-real-time SSTs. The SST anomaly

is the difference of SST compared to daily SST climatology. The coral bleaching HotSpot is a special type of sea surface temperature (SST) anomaly and shows the difference of SST compared to a coral bleaching SST threshold climatology. Only the positive anomalies (potential thermal stress inducing coral bleaching) are highlighted. DHW is the accumulation of Coral Bleaching HotSpots over a period of 12 consecutive weeks. The DHW value at any particular location at any particular time is the summation of the product of HotSpot values which are at least 1 deg C above the bleaching threshold SST and their durations in weeks (in minimum 0.5 week for our twice-weekly DHW) over the most recent 12-week period. One DHW is equivalent to 1 week of SST at 1 deg C above the threshold or 0.5 week of SST at 2 deg C above the threshold, etc. This data file is in Hierarchical Data Format Release 4 (HDF4) that is a commonly used data format. The data file are produced twice-weekly on every Tuesday (using AVHRR data from the previous Saturday through Monday) and on every Saturday (using AVHRR data from the previous Tuesday through Friday).

Purpose: The twice-weekly near-real-time global 50km satellite coral bleaching thermal stress

monitoring products were primarily developed for NOAA's Coral Reef Watch (CRW) for both monitoring and assessment of coral bleaching.

Supplemental_Information: The SST chart created from this SST data is accessible at http://coralreefwatch.noaa.gov/satellite/current/key_sst_50km_field.html

The SST anomaly chart created from this SST anomaly data is accessible at <http://www.osdpd.noaa.gov/PSB/EPS/SST/climo.html>

The coral bleaching HotSpot chart created from this HotSpot data is accessible at <http://www.osdpd.noaa.gov/PSB/EPS/SST/climohot.html>

The coral bleaching Degree Heating Weeks chart created from this Degree Heating Weeks data is accessible at

http://www.osdnpd.noaa.gov/PSB/EPS/SST/dhw_retro.html

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 20010101

Ending_Date: present

Currentness_Reference: ground condition

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: none planned

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -180.0

East_Bounding_Coordinate: 179.5

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 85.0

South_Bounding_Coordinate: -80.0

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: CoRIS Theme Thesaurus

Theme_Keyword: EARTH SCIENCE > Oceans > Ocean Temperature > Sea Surface

Temperature > AVHRR

Theme_Keyword: EARTH SCIENCE > Oceans > Ocean Temperature > Water

Temperature > Anomaly

Theme_Keyword: EARTH SCIENCE > Biosphere > Zoology > Corals > Coral Diseases > Bleaching > Bleaching HotSpot

Theme_Keyword: EARTH SCIENCE > Biosphere > Zoology > Corals > Coral Diseases > Bleaching > Degree Heating Week (DHW)

Theme_Keyword: EARTH SCIENCE > Oceans > Coastal Processes > Coral Reefs

Theme_Keyword: EARTH SCIENCE > Biosphere > Zoology > Corals > Reef monitoring and assessment > Monitoring and assessment

Theme_Keyword: EARTH SCIENCE > Biosphere > Zoology > Corals > Reef monitoring and assessment > Remote sensing > Satellite (digital scans) > AVHRR

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Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: CoRIS Discovery Thesaurus

Theme_Keyword: Numeric Data Sets > Oceanography

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Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: ISO 19115:2003 MD_TopicCategoryCode

Theme_Keyword: oceans

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Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: none

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Theme_Keyword: CoRIS

Theme_Keyword: Coral Reef Watch

Theme_Keyword: POES

Theme_Keyword: Polar Orbiting Environmental Satellite

Theme_Keyword: data

Theme_Keyword: oceanography

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Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: none
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Temporal:

Temporal_Keyword_Thesaurus: none
Temporal_Keyword: real time
Temporal_Keyword: near real time
Temporal_Keyword: present
Temporal_Keyword: current

Access_Constraints: none

Use_Constraints: Not intended for legal use. Data may contain inaccuracies due to clouded or mixed pixels.

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Browse_Graphic_File_Name:

http://coralreefwatch.noaa.gov/satellite/current/key_sst_50km_field.html

Browse_Graphic_File_Description: The browse images on these web pages are the graphic display of the data described in this metadata.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: GIF

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Browse_Graphic_File_Name: <http://www.osdpd.noaa.gov/PSB/EPS/SST/climo.html>

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http://www.osdpd.noaa.gov/PSB/EPS/SST/dhw_retro.html

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Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report: Polar Orbiting Environmental Satellite (POES) AVHRR-SST values are accurate

to within 0.5 degrees C and adjusted by in-situ information (buoys) to best-approximate SST at a depth of 1 meter. However, to provide a complete global coverage, estimation of SSTs at all pixels that are cloud covered may occasionally reduce the accuracy of SST at these pixels.

The accuracy of the Degree Heating Weeks depends on the accuracy of Coral Bleaching HotSpots. No estimation on the HotSpots and SST anomalies has been done and only preliminary estimates exist for using DHWs to assess coral bleaching and mortality although they have demonstrated remarkable preliminary success in denoting most bleaching events.

Logical_Consistency_Report: none

Completeness_Report: Selected references:

1) The information for the AVHRR-derived sea surface temperature is described in the following guide.

Goodrum G., K. B. Kidwell, and W. Winston, 2000, NOAA KLM USER'S GUIDE. U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service, National Climatic Data Center, Climate Services Division, Satellite Services Branch, FOB3, Room G227, E/CC33, 5200 Auth Road, Suitland, MD 20746-4304, USA. This manual is available on line at

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2) Strong, A. E., C. S. Barrientos, C. Duda, and J. Sapper, 1997: Improved Satellite Technique for Monitoring Coral Reef Bleaching. Proc 8th International Coral Reef Symposium 2:1495-1498. Available also online at URL http://www.osdpd.noaa.gov/PSB/EPS/SST/icrs_dud.html.

3) "New AVHRR Product -- Coral Reef Hotspots" by A. E. Strong and C. Duda, available at the URL http://www.osdpd.noaa.gov/PSB/EPS/SST/ashe_ab.html

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Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report: Users are referred to the following guide on AVHRR-derived sea surface temperature.

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U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service, National Climatic Data Center, Climate Services Division, Satellite Services Branch, FOB3, Room G227, E/CC33, 5200 Auth Road, Suitland, MD 20746-4304, USA. This manual is available on line at <http://www2.ncdc.noaa.gov/docs/klm/cover.htm>. To request additional information contact: Telephone: (828) 271-4850, Telefax: (828) 271-4876, Email: satorder@ncdc.noaa.gov.

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Vertical_Positional_Accuracy_Report: none

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Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: NOAA Coral Reef Watch, NOAA/NESDIS

Publication_Date: 20000101

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Edition: one

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: data file

Publication_Information:

Publication_Place: Suitland, Maryland, USA

Publisher: NOAA Coral Reef Watch

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Time_Period_Information:

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Ending_Date: present

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Originator: NOAA Coral Reef Watch, NOAA/NESDIS

Publication_Date: 19970101

Title: NOAA Coral Reef Watch Operational Twice-Weekly Near-Real-Time Global 50km Satellite Coral Bleaching HotSpots

Edition: one

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Publication_Place: Suitland, Maryland, USA

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Ending_Date: present
Source_Currentness_Reference: ground condition
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Coral Bleaching HotSpots
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Originator: NOAA Coral Reef Watch, NOAA/NESDIS
Publication_Date: 19970101
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50km Satellite Nighttime AVHRR Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies
Edition: one
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: data file
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Publication_Place: Suitland, Maryland, USA
Publisher: NOAA Coral Reef Watch
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Range_of_Dates/Times:
Beginning_Date: 20010101
Ending_Date: present
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Nighttime SST Anomalies
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Satellite Nighttime
AVHRR Sea Surface Temperatures
Edition: one
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Range_of_Dates/Times:
Beginning_Date: 19970101
Ending_Date: present
Source_Currentness_Reference: ground condition
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NOAA Coral Reef Watch Near-Real-Time Global Satellite
Nighttime AVHRR SSTs
Source_Contribution: A copy of the source data is contained in this data file.
Process_Step:

Process_Description: At each pixel, climatological sea surface temperature value is subtracted from AVHRR sea surface temperature value to produce sea surface temperature anomaly. Coral bleaching sea surface temperature threshold climatological value is subtracted from AVHRR sea surface temperature value to produce coral bleaching HotSpot value. Degree Heating Weeks are calculated as the accumulation of coral bleaching HotSpots over the most recent 12 weeks. The global satellite sea surface temperature, sea surface temperature anomaly, coral bleaching HotSpots, and coral bleaching Degree Heating Weeks are then stored in HDF format. Some references are listed below.

1) The information for the AVHRR-derived sea surface temperature is described in the following guide.

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Source_Used_Citation_Abbreviation: NOAA Coral Reef Watch Near-Real-Time Global Satellite Coral Bleaching Degree Heating Weeks

Source_Used_Citation_Abbreviation: NOAA Coral Reef Watch Near-Real-Time Global Satellite Coral Bleaching HotSpots

Source_Used_Citation_Abbreviation: NOAA Coral Reef Watch Near-Real-Time Global Satellite Nighttime AVHRR SSTs

Source_Used_Citation_Abbreviation: NOAA Coral Reef Watch Near-Real-Time Global Satellite Nighttime SST anomalies

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Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Raster

Raster_Object_Information:

Raster_Object_Type: Grid Cell

Row_Count: 331

Column_Count: 720

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Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.5

Longitude_Resolution: 0.5

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal Degrees

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: Degree Heating Weeks grid cell

Entity_Type_Definition: 16-bit integer data elements in the coral bleaching Degree Heating Weeks data

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: self-evident

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: coral bleaching Degree Heating Weeks grid cell value

Attribute_Definition: The coral bleaching Degree Heating Weeks in the location indicated

by the pixel. In the Degree Heating Weeks data file, the units are in 100x degree Celsius-

weeks and the values are stored as integer.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Selected reference:

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Standard_Order_Process:

Digital_Form:

Digital_Transfer_Information:

Format_Name: HDF4 format

Format_Information_Content: Sea surface temperature, sea surface temperature anomaly, bleaching HotSpots, and Degree Heating Weeks as remote sensing images and gridded data

Digital_Transfer_Option:

Online_Option:

Computer_Contact_Information:

Network_Address:

Network_Resource_Name: <http://coralreefwatch.noaa.gov/satellite/hdf/>

Network_Resource_Name:

http://coralreefwatch.noaa.gov/satellite/hdf/data/current/current_all.hdf

Access_Instructions: See web site <http://hdf.ncsa.uiuc.edu/hdf4.html>

Offline_Option:

Offline_Media: CD-ROM

Recording_Format: none

Compatibility_Information: HDF4 is commonly recognized data format. See web site <http://hdf.ncsa.uiuc.edu/hdf4.html>

Fees: none

Ordering_Instructions: The product in HDF4 format may be downloaded from the Web, FTP, and OPeNDAP site or obtained from the distributor.

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Metadata_Standard_Name: FGDC Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998